

Appointments:

Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 101–509, the reappointment of Terry Birdwhistell, of Kentucky, to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—80)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:44 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2011. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3365.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

PROTECTING AMERICAN JOBS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine protecting American jobs, focusing on strengthening trade enforcement including anti-dumping and maritime laws, and past initiatives to improve anti-dumping and countervailing duty collection and additional options for improving anti-dumping and countervailing duty collection, after receiving testimony from Allen Gina, Assistant Commissioner, Office of International Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; J. Scott Ballman, Jr., Deputy Assistant Director, Homeland Security Investigations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; Ronald K. Lorentzen, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration; Loren Yager, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Govern-

ment Accountability Office; Edward T. Hayes, Leake and Andersson LLP, and Kristen M. Baumer, Paul Piazza and Sons, Inc., both of New Orleans, Louisiana; Jim Adams, Offshore Marine Service Association, Harahan, Louisiana; and Keith E. Busse, Steel Dynamics, Inc., Fort Wayne, Indiana.

CREATING JOBS AND TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Service and General Government concluded a hearing to examine creating jobs and transforming communities, focusing on funding for the Small Business Administration and the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, after receiving testimony from Karen G. Mills, Administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration; Donna J. Gambrell, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of the Treasury; Warner Cruz, J.C. Restoration, Inc., Rolling Meadows, Illinois; Calvin L. Holmes, Chicago Community Loan Fund (CCFL), Chicago, Illinois; and Ray Moncrief, Kentucky Highlands Investments Corporation, London.

APPROPRIATIONS: MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2012 for the Missile Defense Agency, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Patrick J. O'Reilly, USA, Director, Missile Defense Agency, Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower concluded a hearing to examine Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2012 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Sean J. Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition, Vice Admiral Kevin M. McCoy, Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command, and Captain William J. Galinis, Supervisor of Shipbuilding (SUPSHIP), Gulf Coast, all of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Michael E. Guest, of South Carolina, Ana Margarita Guzman, of Texas, and Christopher B. Howard, of Virginia, all to be a Member of the National Security Education Board, and 3,463 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

DERIVATIVES CLEARINGHOUSES

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine derivatives clearinghouses, focusing on opportunities and challenges, after receiving testimony from Christopher Edmonds, ICE Trust, and Terrence A. Duffy, CME Group Inc., both of Chicago, Illinois; Benn Steil, Council on Foreign Relations, Don Thompson, JPMorgan Chase and Co., and James Cawley, Javelin Capital Markets, all of New York, New York; Chester Spatt, Carnegie Mellon University Tepper School of Business, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Clifford Lewis, State Street Global Markets, Singer Island, Florida.

PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS BILLS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests concluded a hearing to examine S. 233, to withdraw certain Federal land and interests in that land from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws and disposition under the mineral and geothermal leasing laws, S. 268, to sustain the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land and other public land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to release certain wilderness study areas, to designate new areas for recreation, S. 375, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements with State foresters authorizing State foresters to provide certain forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration and protection services, S. 714, to reauthorize the Federal Land Transaction Facilitation Act, and S. 730, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, after receiving testimony from Senators Baucus, Tester, and Begich; Harris Sherman, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment; Marcilynn A. Burke, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Byron Mallott, and Jaleen Araujo, both of the Sealaska Corporation, Juneau, Alaska; Sherman Anderson, Sun Mountain Lumber, Deer Lodge, Montana; Walter E. Congdon, Montana Cattlemen's Association, Dell; and Myla Poelstra, Edna Bay, Alaska.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of William Charles Ostendorff, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, who was introduced by Senator Webb, Richard C. Howorth, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Author-

ity, who was introduced by Senators Cochran and Wicker, and Lieutenant General Thomas P. Bostick, to be Chief of Engineers, and Commanding General, United States Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

UNITED STATES-PANAMA TRADE PROMOTION AGREEMENT

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, after receiving testimony from Miriam Sapiro, Deputy United States Trade Representative; Jason Speer, Quality Float Works, Inc., Schaumburg, Illinois; and Garry Niemeyer, National Corn Growers Association, Auburn, Illinois.

SPREAD OF TAX FRAUD BY IDENTITY THEFT

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth concluded a hearing to examine the spread of tax fraud by identity theft, focusing on a threat to taxpayers, a drain on the public treasury, and the status of Internal Revenue Service initiatives to help victimized taxpayers, after receiving testimony from Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, and Beth Tucker, Deputy Commissioner, Operations Support, both of the Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; James R. White, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; Sharon Hawa, Bronx, New York; and Terry D. McClung, Jr., Finksburg, Maryland.

DUPLICATION IN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how to save taxpayer dollars, focusing on case studies of duplication in the Federal government, after receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; and Daniel I. Gordon, Administrator, Federal Procurement Policy, and Vivek Kundra, Federal Chief Information Officer, Administrator, E-Government and Information Technology, both of the Office of Management and Budget.

EFFORTS TO ELIMINATE IMPROPER PAYMENTS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine assessing efforts to eliminate improper payments, after receiving testimony from Daniel I. Werfel, Controller, Officer of Management and Budget; Richard L. Gregg, Fiscal Assistant Secretary

of the Treasury; Robert F. Hale, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); Calvin L. Scovell III, Vice Chairman, Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board; and Kelly Croft, Deputy Commissioner for Systems, Social Security Administration.

HOLDING CRIMINALS ACCOUNTABLE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine holding criminals accountable, focusing on extending criminal jurisdiction to government contractors and employees abroad, after receiving testimony from Lanny A. Breuer, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; Tara Lee, DLA Piper LLP (US), and Michael J. Edney, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, both of Washington, D.C.; and Geoffrey S. Corn, South Texas College of Law, Houston.

VETERANS TRANSITION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a seamless transition, focusing on meeting the needs of service members and veterans, after receiving testimony from Antonette Zeiss, Acting Deputy Chief Officer, Mental Health Services, and Deborah Amdur, Chief Consultant Care Management and Social Work, both of the Office of Patient Care Services, Shane McNamee, Chief of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Hunter Holmes

McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center, and Janet E. Kemp, National Suicide Prevention Coordinator, all of the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; George Taylor, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Force Health Protection and Readiness, and Philip Burdette, Principal Director, Wounded Warrior Care and Transition, Policy Office, both of the Department of Defense; Steven A. Bohn, Wounded Warrior Project, Salem, Massachusetts; James R. Lorraine, Wounded Warrior Care Project, Augusta, Georgia; and Lance Corporal Tim Horton (Ret.), San Antonio, Texas.

DRUG VIOLENCE IN CENTRAL AMERICA

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine combating drug violence in Central America, focusing on United States efforts to enhance security throughout Central America, after receiving testimony from Thomas M. Harrigan, Assistant Administrator and Chief of Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; Roberta Jacobson, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs; and Cynthia J. Arnson, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Kevin Casas-Zamora, Brookings Institution, and Ray Walser, Heritage Foundation Center for Foreign Policy Studies, all of Washington, D.C.

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Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 1978–1999; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 55; and H. Res. 278–279 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1315, to amend the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act to strengthen the review authority of the Financial Stability Oversight Council of regulations issued by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–89).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Webster to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:08 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Gene Mills, Louisiana Family Forum, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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Resignation of the Chaplain of the House of Representatives: Read a letter from the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin in which he submitted his resignation as Chaplain of the House of Representatives, effective April 30, 2011.

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Privileged Resolution: The House agreed to H. Res. 278, Electing the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

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Administration of the Oath of Office to an Officer of the House: The Speaker administered the Oath of Office to Father Patrick J. Conroy of the State of Oregon, Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

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Amending the Public Health Service Act to convert funding for graduate medical education in